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A U.S.-SOVIET DEAL ON INTELLIGENCE

Soviet officials have asked the U.S. to share information on international terrorists who might disrupt the 1980 Olympics in Moscow. The Russians don't want to risk a tragedy like the 1972 Munich Games, during which Palestinian terrorists killed eleven Israeli athletes. Soviet Interior Minister Nikolai Shchelokov suggested the exchange of intelligence to then-Attorney General Griffin Bell when Bell visited Moscow in June. In exchange for U.S. help, Bell asked the Soviets to supply data on drug traffickers from countries under Soviet influence, including Vietnam and Afghanistan. The U.S.-Soviet talks are still in the preliminary stages, but the Justice Department has discussed the Russian request with FBI Director William Webster and asked the State Department to pursue it.